

CALFRESH (CF) PROGRAM

REQUEST FOR POLICY/REGULATION INTERPRETATION

INSTRUCTIONS: Complete items 1 - 10 on the form. Use a separate form for each policy interpretation request. If additional space is needed, please use the second page. Be sure to identify the additional discussion with the appropriate number and heading. Retain a copy of the CF 24 for your records.

- Questions from counties, including county Quality Control, must be submitted by the county CalFresh Coordinator and may be submitted directly to the CalFresh Policy analyst assigned responsibility for the county, with a copy directed to the appropriate CalFresh Policy unit manager.
- Questions from Administrative Law Judges may be submitted directly to the CalFresh Policy analyst assigned responsibility to the county where the hearing took place, with a copy of the form directed to the appropriate CalFresh Bureau unit manager.

1. RESPONSE NEEDED DUE TO: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Policy/Regulation Interpretation <input type="checkbox"/> QC <input type="checkbox"/> Fair Hearing <input type="checkbox"/> Other:	5. DATE OF REQUEST: 8/13/15	NEED RESPONSE BY: 8/20/15
2. REQUESTOR NAME: 3. PHONE NO.: 4. REGULATION CITE(S): 63-406.22	6. COUNTY/ORGANIZATION: Santa Barbara County 7. SUBJECT: Student Eligibility - enrollement 8. REFERENCES: (Include ACL/ACIN, court cases, etc. in references) NOTE: All requests must have a regulation cite(s) and/or a reference(s).	

9. QUESTION: (INCLUDE SCENARIO IF NEEDED FOR CLARITY):

A student comes in to apply for CF during the summer months in July. He does not meet student eligibility requirements. He states he is enrolled to start college in the fall. Application is from 7/2/15 and interview conducted 7/6/15 and his first day of school at the university is 8/20. Are we able to grant CF since the student has not actually started school? When would we discontinue?

10. REQUESTOR'S PROPOSED ANSWER:

Per 63-406.22 The enrollment status of a student shall begin on the first day of the school term of the institution of higher education. Once a student enrolls in an institution of higher education, such enrollment shall be deemed to continue through normal periods of class attendance, vacation and recess unless the student graduates, is suspended or expelled or drops out. .221 Student eligibility criteria shall be applied on the date of the interview to all applicants who are students as defined in Section 63-406.1. The student eligibility criteria shall also be applied on the date of the interview to all applicants who are non continuing students in the final month of student status.

Because the school term had not started, this student would be eligible for CF. The student would not be discontinued until the next RRR because reporting a change in student status is not a mandatory mid-period report.

11. STATE POLICY RESPONSE (CFPB USE ONLY):

State concurs with the proposed response. However, since the client has stated he is enrolled to start college in the fall, it should be noted in the case file and verified during the college session. Since the client's college status isn't official and/or verifiable at the time of intake due to college not being in session during the summer months when he applied, CWD should follow-up with a Request for Information (RFI) in fall to verify and confirm the client has indeed registered and is attending classes as anticipated, at which then he would be terminated provided he still does not meet any student eligibility requirements. Per Section MPP 63-300.5 (a)(2)(A) The CWD must issue a Request for Information (RFI) which advises the household of the verification it must provide or actions it must take to clarify the household's circumstances.

FOR CDSS USE

DATE RECEIVED:

DATE RESPONDED TO COUNTY/ALJ:

8.20.15 JR